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REMARKS

Claims 2, 7, 21, 22, 27, 28, 30, 32, 33 and 35-39 have been amended. Claims 1-10, 12-25, and 27-39 are presently pending in the application.

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the Examiner Interview extended to Applicants' representative, Kenton R. Mullins, on August 17, 2006. In that telephone discussion, it was agreed that the above amendments would place the case in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants request that the outstanding objections and rejections be reconsidered and withdrawn.

Applicants respectfully submit that the application is now in condition for allowance, and an early indication of same is requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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